

- an alloy of a metal having ~~paramagnetism~~ ferromagnetism and another metal, or
- a complex containing a metal having ~~paramagnetism~~ ferromagnetism.

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Please amend the specification as follows: Page 18, Lines ~~8-18~~:

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It is preferable that the whole of the metal powder formed of a metal having ~~paramagnetism~~ ferromagnetism, an alloy of two or more types of metals having ~~paramagnetism~~ ferromagnetism, or an alloy of a metal having ~~paramagnetism~~ ferromagnetism and another metal out of the foregoing metal powders or each of the metal particles, or

a portion, of the metal powder formed of a complex containing the metal having ~~paramagnetism~~ ferromagnetism or each of the metal particles, containing the metal having ~~paramagnetism~~ ferromagnetism,

is formed by being deposited in a solution containing a reducing agent by adding ions forming the metal having ~~paramagnetism~~ ferromagnetism which is its forming material to the solution.

Please amend the specification as follows: Page 22, Line 19 to Page 23, Line 19:

Furthermore, ~~it is preferable that~~ in the above-mentioned metal powder, the ratio L/D of the length L to the diameter D of the chain is must be not less than 3.

In a case where the ratio L/D is less than 3, the length of the chain is too small, so that the effect of reducing the contact resistance of the anisotropic conductive film without causing short circuit in the plane direction of the film ~~may not be~~ is not obtained by the effect of making

anisotropic conductive film is sufficiently oriented in the thickness direction of the film, although it differs depending on the type, the ratio, and so on of the metal having ~~paramagnetism~~ ferromagnetism included in the metal powder.

Please amend the specification as follows: Page 61, Line 17 to Page 63, Line 10: ²⁰

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Example 8

Used as a conductive component was an Ni powder, which has the form of a plurality of chains, each having fine Ni particles linked in a straight-chain shape, aggregating in a bundle shape and in which the particle diameter of the Ni particles is 100 nm, ~~and the diameter and the length of the chain are respectively 10 μ m and 50 μ m~~ the diameter D and the length L of the chain are respectively 10 μ m and 50 μ m, and the ratio L/D is 5.

The Ni powder and acrylic resin serving as a binding agent were mixed such that the filling factor of the Ni powder would be 1 % by volume, and methyl ethyl ketone was added to a mixture, to prepare a paste-shaped composite material.

The composite material was then applied over a magnet serving as a base, was dried or solidified in a magnetic field with a magnetic flux density of 200000 μ T and therefore, was fixed in a state where the metal powder was oriented in the thickness direction of the film, followed by stripping, to produce an anisotropic conductive film having a thickness of 120 μ m.

Example 9

An anisotropic conductive film having a thickness of 120 μ m was produced in the same manner as that in the example 8 except that an Ni powder, which has the form of fine Ni particles being linked in a straight-chain shape and in which the particle diameter of the Ni particles is 1